CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

1. (Previously Amended) A stack having a stack depth configured in a nonvolatile

memory to store parameter values, where each memory write invalidates previous data.

2. (Original) The stack of claim 1 wherein the nonvolatile memory includes a pair of

blocks that are erased independently.

3. (Original) The stack of claim 2 wherein valid parameter values are stored in a first

block of the pair of blocks and a second block is erased.

4. (Original) The stack of claim 3 wherein valid parameter values are stored in the

second block of the pair of blocks and the first block is erased.

5. (Original) The stack of claim 1 further including a register to store an offset value

used to generate an address for words in the nonvolatile memory.

6. (Original) The stack of claim 1 further including a smart stack controller to

dynamically determine a number of blocks used in the stack.

7. (Original) The stack of claim 1 further including a smart stack controller to distribute

Attorney Docket No.: 42P18373 Application No.: 10/798,641 write cycles across multiple blocks of the nonvolatile memory.

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11. (Previously Amended) A nonvolatile stack to store parameter values in words of a

nonvolatile memory where a write of the nonvolatile stack invalidates previous

instructions or data stored in the nonvolatile stack.

12. (Previously Amended) The nonvolatile stack of claim 11 wherein a memory pool in

at least first and second blocks of the nonvolatile memory are sized to balance cycling

and data retention capabilities with a write specification.

13. (Previously Amended) The nonvolatile stack of claim 11 further including a stack

controller to distribute write cycles across multiple blocks of the nonvolatile memory.

14. (Previously Amended) The nonvolatile stack of claim 11 wherein the nonvolatile

memory maps a received address to determine memory blocks to be written.

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32. (New) The stack of claim 1 wherein the nonvolatile memory is a polymer memory

that includes ferroelectric memory cells.

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